

6 MORE DAYS UNTIL LANCASTER COUNTY FAIR 6 MORE DAYS

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HEATH SPRINGS NEWS IMPORTANT EVENTS

DEATH OF GOOD WOMAN

School Improvement Work a Great Success—Many Visitors in Good Town.

Heath Springs, Nov. 13.—The remains of Mrs. Fannie James Stalkner who died at her home in Lake Wales, Fla., Sunday, November 5th, were brought to Kershaw for interment there Tuesday, the 7th inst. The funeral took place from the residence of Dr. E. C. Braxington, brother-in-law of Dr. B. D. Stalkner, and a close friend of the family, where the body was carried from the train Tuesday morning. The short but impressive service at the grave at 3 o'clock in the afternoon was conducted by the Rev. J. B. Weldon and Dr. J. W. H. Dyches of the Heath Springs Methodist and Baptist churches, respectively. The numerous floral tributes, beautiful in their variety and design, which covered the grave, bore silent but certain testimony to the high esteem in which Mrs. Stalkner was held by a large circle of friends not only in South Carolina but several other States from which these tributes came. Mrs. Stalkner, whose illness was but of a few days previous to her death, was in her 57th year. She was born in Laurens, the daughter of Dr. James of that place, and in early life united with the Presbyterian church of which she ever remained a loyal and devoted member. Her husband's work as a civil engineer for the Seaboard Railroad necessitated his going to different points in several States, and she always accompanied him. Thus she was thrown with many of the railroad officials and employees, upon whom she bestowed many kindnesses and to whom she administered wise counsel as opportunity presented itself. By these, and others whom her life touched, she was greatly beloved, as was evidenced by the many messages of condolence received from them by the family in their hour of sorrow, and the beautiful floral tributes sent from many places.

Mrs. Stalkner is survived by her husband, Mr. L. T. Stalkner, one sister, Mrs. Mary Wright of Manning, and three sons, as follows: Dr. B. D. Stalkner of Heath Springs, Mr. C. D. Stalkner of Rock Island, Ill., and Mr. W. M. Stalkner of Kitts, Ky. To these and others comes the comfort of God's word, "Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord from henceforth, yea, saith the Spirit, that they may rest from their labors; for their works follow with them."

The tacky party given at the Masonic hall Friday night by the School Improvement Association, of which Mrs. W. S. Moore is the efficient president, proved to be a success in every way. According to the receipts taken in at the door the attendance was two hundred and thirty and every one entered heartily into the spirit of the occasion and enjoyed the evening to the fullest extent. Nearly everybody was dressed "tacky," without respect to persons, sex or age, and their conduct and conversation were pitched on the same plane. The receipts for refreshments, together with those at the door, netted \$41.33, not a bad showing for the first venture of the kind by the School Improvement Association. The first prize for the "tackiest" person was awarded to Miss Ethel Davidson of the school faculty, and the second to Miss Nellie Williams, one of the school pupils.

Dr. B. D. Stalkner's father, Mr. L. T. Stalkner, of Lake Wales, Fla., his brother, Mr. C. D. H. Stalkner and wife, of Rock Island, Ill., and his aunt, Mrs. Mamie Wright of Manning, S. C., have been with him and his family here for the past few days.

The Rev. Mr. W. B. Melville was the guest of his sister, Mrs. W. S. Moore, Friday. He reports that his son, a student in Union Seminary, Richmond, Va., has just undergone a successful operation for appendicitis.

Mrs. W. J. Vaughn, who motored with Mr. and Mrs. Commodore Hinson to Columbia early in the week to spend a few days with them, returned home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Mackey left

VAN WYCK ITEMS DURING PAST WEEK

FAIR WORK DISCUSSED

Outlines Progress of Community Fair—Many Visitors in Little City.

Van Wyck, Nov. 13.—Mr. Editor: Since my last communication we have seen some of the country and observed that many fields along the road have been sown in grain and many more are being sown. The cotton crop is almost gathered and much of the cotton land will be put in grain. We attended Mecklenburg fair and feel well repaid for the trip.

The exhibits of livestock were many and of a good quality. We saw a number of fine mule colts of which the owners can feel justly proud. We saw some home-raised mules that can successfully rival the Kentucky or Tennessee shipped mule, showing plainly that we can raise good mules for our needs instead of buying the high priced shipped ones. We saw some fine hogs, and the ones that attracted our attention most were the hogs of the pig club boys, some weighing 300 pounds at eight months old. We also saw some fine corn exhibits, grown by the corn club boys, which were better than the exhibits of their fathers. Some girls also belong to these clubs and there were fifty or more members of the pig and corn clubs represented. The girls' tomato clubs were well represented in their exhibits of canned tomatoes and other vegetables.

Mecklenburg county is doing fine work through these clubs. We do not know how Lancaster county compares with Mecklenburg along these lines, as we have had no way to find out, but after the 25th of November we can find out if we can safely hollow hurrah for Lancaster, as these clubs will show their exhibits at the county fair and tell the people what they are doing.

The community fair's booths were neatly and admirably exhibited. We were glad to see that our neighboring "Community Fair" Carolina, won the blue ribbon. Mecklenburg county fair, upon a whole was a great success, but Midway and its shows seemed to have the day, and won the attention of the greater part of the attendance.

Remember we have only one more week to get our exhibits ready for our county fair, which is the last one. Lets get busy and show what Lancaster farmers can do, even under many adverse circumstances.

Messrs. C. R. Yoder, J. D. Griffin, W. H. Hyatt, Mr. and Mrs. K. M. Yoder, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Yoder and Miss Bess Cunningham attended the Mecklenburg fair.

Miss Eva Massey spent part of last week in Rock Hill with relatives and friends.

Miss Bess Cunningham, who has been visiting her aunt, Mrs. J. M. Yoder at Oakdale, has returned to her home in Lancaster.

Mr. J. M. Nisbet is serving as a juror in the United States court at Greenville.

The oyster supper at Van Wyck school house last Friday night was fairly well attended and a nice little sum made for Van Wyck church.

Rev. J. V. Davis, pastor of Van Wyck charge, leaves today for the annual conference at Greenville.

Some of the Van Wyck farmers have been hauling cotton to Lancaster and are well pleased with Lancaster as a market.

Hurrah for Woodrow Wilson!

Friday night for Richmond, where they went to see their brother-in-law, Mr. Butler, who is quite sick at his home there.

Mrs. W. C. Ellis has returned from the meeting of the State W. M. U. at Orangeburg and reports a fine session of that body.

Mr. Hasel Vaughn, who went to the border as a member of the Rock Hill company, S. C. National Guard, is at home again, he having received an honorable discharge from service.

Mrs. H. A. Aldrich returned home Friday after a visit of several weeks to relatives and friends at other points in the State.

Mr. Waddell Hinson of the University of South Carolina spent the week-end with his mother at this place.

FAIR NOTES

(By JOHN MADRA, Manager.)

Six more days and then—THE FAIR.

Get 'em ready!
What?
Your Exhibits.
Are you going?
Where?

Heath Springs and Kershaw Thursday afternoon on the Automobile Booster Trip. Fifty cars in line. Count 'em. We are all going.

Confetti!

Sailor Jack!

Man Eating Shark!

Everybody is going to Kershaw and Heath Springs Thursday afternoon on the Automobile Booster Trip. No "hot air" here. Fifty cars. Count 'em.

Diving Girls!

The Flying Leons!

"The concert band carried by the Herbert's Greater Shows will play a sacred concert at the park in Union Square at 5 p. m. Sunday. The program follows:

1. Stars and Stripes Forever.....March
2. Nearer My God to Thee.....Sacred
3. Silver Threads Among the Gold.....Popular
4. Cavilier Rusticana.....Overture
5. The Rosary.....Sacred
6. II. Trovatore.....Selection

Prof. S. Batatio, Director.
—High Point (N. C.) Record."

Oh listen to the band!

Capt. Osby Grant, the little man with the big balloon.

Bing! Bang! Bomb-shell! Fireworks! Fireworks!!

Anticipated conversation heard on the Midway during Fair Week:

Don't you go into that show, Hiram.

Oh, Ma, let a fellow have a good time.

You heard me, Hiram.

Oh, Ma, it won't hurt me. Didn't I see 'em down to State Fair?

Chorus: "Good-bye Hiram, we hate to see you go, etc."

A recent addition to the Herbert Greater Shows is the I. X. L. Ranch, Wild West Show and Congress of Rough Riders of the World. The exhibition consists of twelve distinct acts, such as Broncho Busting, Sharp Shooting, Roping Wild Steers, Bull Dogging, etc.

A laughable feature of this attraction is the Wild Mule Riding by the Cowboys. They offer a large sum of money to any one who will bring a mule they cannot ride without saddle, bridle or even halter. The wildest, unbroken, bucking mule soon becomes as docile as "Old Beck" when handled a few minutes by these boys of the plains.

Automobile Parade on Thursday morning.

School Children's Parade Friday morning.

We saw many fine school houses on the Booster Trips.

We saw and met a lot of pretty instructresses too. No blarney about this. We are married.

If you are not going with us to Kershaw and Heath Springs Thursday afternoon, you can at least be a good sport by taking a life membership in the "Hot Air Club."

Good night!

LANCASTER BOOSTERS GO TO KERSHAW

FORTY CARS TO MAKE TRIP

Thursday Afternoon a Strong Delegation of Fair Boosters to Visit Heath Springs and Kershaw—Much Interest Manifested.

Thursday afternoon next, leaving been provided by the committees Lancaster promptly at 3 o'clock, having this work in charge, and 'tis hoped that a large number of people will respond, and assist in the undertaking.

This is to serve notice on the progressive people of both Heath Springs and Kershaw if they really want to see a real live band of boosters, be sure and be on the street during the afternoon.

All cars must be assembled on time so the parade can move promptly at 3 p. m.

MURDERS SPOUSE AND KILLS SELF

WIFE SEEKS HER FATE

Goes in Search of Husband and Meets Death at His Hands.

Spartanburg, Nov. 11.—John S. Baber, a 50-year-old white man, who lives in this city, shot and killed his wife, Mrs. Cora Lee Baber, here this afternoon, and then turned the gun on himself and took his own life. The killing occurred in an upstairs room of a boarding house, situated on Magnolia street near the Southern depot, about 1:30 o'clock. Baber and his wife had been separated since last January, but were apparently on friendly terms, and at least twice in the last few months she had come to town from her home in the country, where she lived after the separation, and spent the night with her husband. Early this afternoon she came to town and inquired of Mrs. L. G. P. Carouth, the proprietor of the boarding house where Baber was staying, where she could find her husband, and received the answer that he was probably up town. She drove away in the buggy in which she came to town and later returned to the boarding house. Baber meantime had returned, and when his wife drove up he went to the buggy and helped her out. They went up stairs to his room, and in a few minutes Mrs. Carouth heard the shots and called for help. J. W. Becknell came in answer to Mrs. Carouth's call, and when he got to the room he found Baber lying on the floor with a pistol in his hand, dying, and Mrs. Baber lying on the floor already dead.

Baber had been married to the woman he killed 17 years, and four children survive them. It is said that on account of the father's love for whiskey Mrs. Baber left him last January, but that no cause had been assigned for a quarrel, and they had seemed to be friendly since they parted.

Four shots were fired into Mrs. Baber's body, one of which passed through the heart. Only one shot entered Baber's body, passing through his heart.

Mrs. Baber had been married twice previously, both her other husbands being dead. She was about 49 years old. A coroner's inquest was held over the two bodies this afternoon and the verdict of the jury was that Mrs. Baber came to her death by pistol wounds inflicted by her husband, and that Baber committed suicide, following the murder of his wife.

PLANS TO CHECK

PINK BOLL WORM

San Antonio, Nev. 12.—W. D. Hunter, a member of the Federal Horticultural Board of the Department of Agriculture, who with other government experts, were sent to the Mexican border to conduct an investigation with a view of adopting measures to prevent the pink boll worm invading the United States from Mexico, stated tonight that fifty cars of cotton seed have been ordered held under quarantine at Eagle Pass, Texas, and government inspectors are tracing two hundred other cars imported from Mexico.

"If the worm gains a foothold in the United States, it would cost this country a billion dollars annually," Mr. Hunter declared.

He stated that efforts are being made to secure from the Mexican government a guarantee of safe conduct and protection to the Laguna district, Mexico, for an expert in cotton cultivation from the Department of Agriculture to study plans to prevent the spread of boll worm and measures for its confinement and destruction.

Texas Experts to Assist.

Austin, Texas, Nov. 12.—Fred W. Davis, State commissioner of agriculture, stated today that at the request of Secretary of Agriculture Houston, he had instructed his corps of assistants to join forces with agents of the department of agriculture in an effort to prevent the pink boll worm crossing the border from Mexico. Mr. Davis will undertake personally a rigid inspection of cotton seed oil mills which receive seed from Mexico, where the pest is reported to have made its appearance.

VIOLENT FIGHTING ON TWO BIG FRONTS

BOTH WEST AND EAST

Conflicting Advices From Somme Section, Where Entente Allies Report Gains.

The Columbia State has the following resume of the great European war in its Sunday issue: Violent fighting is again in progress at various points on the Eastern and Western fronts, but no great change in the positions of the opposing armies has yet been reported.

Fair weather on the Somme front in northern France has brought more vigorous activity by the Franco-British and German forces. Gen. Haig's men in an attack in the Thiepval-Courcelette area, London states, have taken the eastern part of the Regina trench on a front of 1,000 yards. The other portion of this trench was taken on October 21. Berlin admits a British gain northeast of Courcelette but says that only a small portion of an advanced trench was entered.

Crown Prince Rupprecht failed in an attack against the French lines in the neighborhood of Demicourt, south of the Somme, Paris records. On the other hand, Berlin states that a French attack in the Salliy-Sailly sector was repulsed.

In aerial combats on the Western front, the Germans brought down ten entente airplanes and the French put five German machines out of action.

Russ and Teuton Clash.

The Austro-Germans and Russians continued to fight furiously in the Baranovich region, north of the Pinsk marches, and along the Narayuvka, southeast of Lemberg, in Galicia. Petrograd says that parts of trenches near Skrobowa, northeast of Baranovich taken by the Germans have been recaptured by the Russians but Berlin asserts all attacks in that sector were repulsed.

On the Narayuvka front the Germans, Berlin claims, entered a Russian position and held it against five counter attacks. Petrograd, however, says that German attacks in this region were repulsed and that the attackers were ejected from a portion of trench they had occupied.

The Russian and Roumanian advance in Dobrudja toward the Tchernavoda-Constanza railway line continues. Petrograd reports the occupation of two more towns along the Danube between Hirsova and Tchernavoda. A belated official report from Sofia admits entente successes, but Berlin continued to report no change in the area under Field Marshal von Mackensen's control. Unofficially it is reported von Mackensen has been driven back to the railway line.

Both Claim Successes.

Both the Austro-Germans and Roumanians claim successes along the Transylvanian-Roumanian frontier. South of Predeal, Berlin records an advance for Archduke Charles, while Bucharest claims the capture of trenches near Dragoslavia and of Mount Frutze on the left bank of the Alt river.

Official reports indicate a renewal of activity on the Macedonian front in the area north of the Cerna river. In the region south of Polog, Berlin says the entente troops have gained some ground. Except for a small Italian advance on the Carso, there has been no activity of moment on the Austro-Italian front.

The American steamship Columbian is believed to have been sunk, says an announcement made in London by Lloyd's shipping agency. On Wednesday it was reported from London that the Columbian was sending out wireless calls for help, saying she was being shelled by a submarine. The steamer, owned by the American Hawaiian Steamship company of New York, carried a crew of 113 men, but no passengers.

WON'T LEAVE TODAY.

New London, Conn., Nov. 11.—No clearance papers had been issued to Capt. Paul Koenig of the German commercial submarine tonight and none will be issued tomorrow, according to Joseph C. Comstock, deputy collector of customs here. Members of the vessel's crew in the city on shore leave said also that their vessel would not leave port tonight or Sunday.